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Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman following informal consultations

Reformed procedures for determining reimbursement to Member States for contingent-owned equipment

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 49/233 A of 23 December 1994, 50/222 of 11 April 1996, 51/218 E of 17 June 1997 and 54/19 of 29 October 1999,

Recalling also its decision 53/480 of 8 June 1999, by which the Secretary-General was requested to convene the Phase V Working Group,

Recalling further the report of the Secretary General[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions[2] on reform of the procedure for determining reimbursement to Member States for contingent-owned equipment,

Having considered the report of the Phase V Working Group on reimbursement of contingent-owned equipment as transmitted by the Chairman of the Working Group to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee,[3] the note by the Secretary-General[4] and the related report of the Advisory Committee.[5]

Having also considered the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of contingent-owned equipment procedures and payments to troop-contributing countries,[6]

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[1] A/50/807.
[2] A/50/887.
[3] See A/C.5/54/49.
[4] A/54/795.
[5] A/54/826.
[6] See A/54/765.

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1. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Phase V Working Group on reform procedures for determining reimbursement of contingent-owned equipment;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to collect data from Member States regarding the Phase V Working Group recommendation in paragraphs 44 and 45 of its report[3] on the cost of painting and repainting major equipment;

3. *Takes note* of the views of the Secretariat regarding replacement of the term "force-wide" with "force level", the inclusion of climatic and environmental changes under inland transportation costs and the medical equipment threshold, of 1,500 United States dollars, and invites the post-Phase V Working Group to reconsider these issues;

4. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

5. *Decides* to convene, for not less than ten working days, in accordance with annex IX to the Phase V Working Group report,[3] a post-Phase V Working Group in January/February 2001, to review rates for major equipment, self-sustainment and medical support services, and to include, within the Post Phase V Working Group, appropriate expertise to conduct the vaccination cost review recommended by the Phase V Working Group in paragraph 87 (a) (iii) of its report;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that adequate and sufficient conference facilities for the post-Phase V Working Group are provided, taking duly into consideration the Working Group's structure and needs;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to collect data from Member States and to report to the General Assembly on the extent of his success;

8. *Urges* Member States in this regard to provide the major equipment and self-sustainment data to the Secretariat by 31 October 2000 at the latest, in order for the Secretariat to report to the General Assembly in November 2000 on the adequacy of the data, with a view to ascertaining whether the data are available for holding the post-Phase V Working Group meeting in January/February 2001;

9. *Emphasizes* that the Secretary-General should strictly ensure that in future when transmitting the reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services, a reference to General Assembly resolution 54/244 of 23 December 1999 is included in addition to Assembly resolution 48/218 B of 29 July 1994, and to issue a corrigendum to the current report;[7]

10. *Decides* to keep this matter under review at its fifty-fifth session.

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[7] A/54/765.